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Enclosed for filing is a complete continuation patent application, entitled "SURFACE-MODIFIED BIOACTIVE SUPPRESSANT SURGICAL IMPLANTS" invented by:

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and including the following documents:

Specification including Claims - 18 pages

Abstract of the Disclosure

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A copy of the original Declaration, Power of Attorney from the parent application

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Information Disclosure Statement (references previously provided in parent application)

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This patent application is a continuation of Application No. 10/038,068 filed October 17, 2001, which is a continuation of Application No. 09/517,932, filed on March 3, 2000, now abandoned.

The entire disclosure of the prior applications, from which a copy of the Declaration is enclosed, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated therein by reference.

This application claims the benefit of prior filed co-pending provisional patent application number 60/122,892 filed on March 5, 1999.

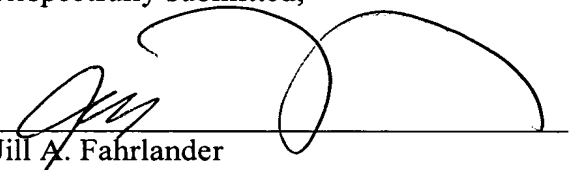
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